

# State Board of Assessors Hold Quite a Busy Session

## State's Chief Executive Addresses the Board and Makes Vigorous Statement--Valuation for Cattle Is Fixed.

CARSON CITY, Nev., Jan. 10.—The state board of assessors got down to actual business yesterday and took up the fixing of valuation on beef and stock cattle.

A valuation of \$30 per head was placed on beef cattle and on stock cattle the valuation was placed at \$17 per head.

There is an exception to the valuation on stock cattle in the counties of Esmeralda, Mineral, White Pine, Lincoln, Clark and Nye, where the valuation is placed at \$15 per head.

The valuation of thoroughbred cattle was left to the assessors of the different counties.

Governor Oddie made the following statement at the opening of the session:

Taxation is the fundamental business proposition of any form of government. To conduct civil government; to maintain law and order, and to carry on co-operative institutions for the general welfare, requires money, and that money is properly raised only by taxation. If it is a just government, the burden of taxation must be equally distributed. No man should be compelled to pay more than his proper share of taxes and no man should be permitted to pay less. These are axioms which no one will dispute. Their application presents many complex difficulties.

I believe that Nevada is far behind many other states in the solution of the problems of equitable taxation. Yet I believe that there is no other subject of such immediate importance to the people of this state as this.

We have an ad valorem system of taxation on all property in this state. The tax rate is fixed by the state legislature and applies uniformly to all kinds of property, real, personal and possessory. Any inequality in the system of taxation, therefore, must resolve itself to inequality in the appraisal of valuation upon different pieces, kinds or classes of property.

Sixty per cent of the cash value of all the various kinds of property in this state is popularly supposed to be the uniform basis of valuation for assessment purposes. It is a matter of common knowledge that while residence property in the towns and cities is generally taxed up to this basis, as well the realty and improvements of small property owners in many instances, very little other property in the state is anywhere near so highly appraised. The testimony of the assessors at the meeting of this board held on January 10, 1910, showed a range of appraisements of from 35 to 60 per cent of the cash value, and it is probable that the variation on close investigation will be found to vary within wider extremes than this, or to as low as 25 per cent, at least on certain classes of property.

It is interesting to note the effect on the taxpayer of such variations in assessment valuations. Not every one has given it due consideration, and few have worked it out by the proper method of computation.

Let us assume, for purposes of illustration, that \$100 is required to be raised by taxation, and that the real cash value of the property which must be assessed is \$10,000. Let us further suppose that this \$10,000 worth of property may be classified as follows:

Residence property, actual cash value	1,000
Farm property, actual cash value	2,000
Railroad property, actual cash value	4,000
Industrial business property, actual cash value	500
Public utility property, actual cash value	1,000

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SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 10.—A sympathetic strike of 300,000 members of the Federated Shop Employees will be called within a month or possibly two weeks, is prophesied by Ernest L. Reguin, president of the Federated Shop Employees of the Harriman lines. The strike, he said, will include every road from the Texas Rio Grande to the Hill lines, and possibly roads east that are members of the General Managers' association. According to Mr. Reguin, plans have progressed to a point where only the formality of taking a vote remains. He said the roads now would be compelled to deal with employees were it not for the assistance received from the other roads.

# 300,000 MEN MAY SOON BE CALLED OUT ON STRIKE

## THIEVING BANKER PROMISES TO PAY DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR

### CONVICTED OFFICIAL OF DEFUNCT COMPANY ISSUES A STATEMENT.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 10.—William J. Cummins, convicted in New York of grand larceny in connection with the failure of the Carnegie Trust company, but now in Nashville, trying to clear up some of his financial matters, yesterday gave out a statement in which he said the Carnegie Trust company would pay out dollar for dollar.

"I never intend to quit until my friends and the public know that I was the victim of circumstances, controlled entirely by two elements—Wall street and politics," he declared.

Cummins was accompanied here by E. Wright Wilson, a New York lawyer.

"We owned over \$5,000,000 bank stocks which cost us that amount of money," said Cummins, "and in addition owned \$5,000,000 industrial stocks. The statement that my real estate in Tennessee was mortgaged for \$29,000 is false. There never was but \$15,000 mortgage, and this has been paid by the receiver in charge, so there is now no mortgage at all."

He said the schedule showing \$4,000,000 liabilities did not state that over half of that amount was owed to Andrew Carnegie and that Mr. Carnegie was secured by the estate held as collateral.

## TERMS OFFERED TO RECENTLY DEPOSED CHINESE EMPEROR

### EMPEROR'S YEARLY ALLOWANCE HAS BEEN CUT TO \$6,500,000.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 10.—The terms offered by the republicans to the Manchus as agreed on by Wu Ting Fang and Tang Shao Yi at the last meeting of the peace conference prior to Tang's resignation, which were telegraphed to Ypan Shi Kai yesterday, stipulated:

"First, the emperor will be treated with all the dignity of a foreign sovereign on Chinese soil.

"Second, the emperor shall have a residence at Jehol or at the summer palace.

"Third, the emperor shall have a liberal allowance settled on him by the national assembly.

"Fourth, all ancestral tombs and temples will be secured intact to the Manchus.

"Fifth, the lives, property and wealth of the Manchus will be protected.

"Sixth, the Manchus, Mohammedans, Mongols and Tibetans shall be treated as private citizens and their private property protected.

"Seventh, the banners will continue to receive the same pensions as heretofore until a comfortable living is found.

"Eighth, former restrictions on liberty of trade and freedom of residence will be removed.

"Ninth, the imperial princes will retain their titles and property."

There is reason to believe that the emperor's allowance has been fixed at 10,000,000 taels yearly (about \$6,500,000).

# MINING SUIT OF GREAT MAGNITUDE HAS BEEN FILED

## Much Mining Stock is Involved In Litigation Restraining Order and Receiver Is Asked for Three Big Corporations--Parties to the Suit Arrested for Highgrading.

RENO, Nev., Jan. 10.—A suit of considerable magnitude and involving the stock of three corporations, two incorporated under the laws of this state and one incorporated under the laws of South Dakota, was late yesterday filed by Attorney Charles Lewers in the district court on behalf of Sol Camp and D. H. Skea against the Indian Consolidated Mines company, incorporated under the laws of South Dakota, the Indian Consolidated Mines company, incorporated under the laws of the state of Nevada, the Limerick Mining company of Nevada, M. C. Seully, T. J. Seully, E. C. Stearns, R. S. Page, J. C. Brickell and Y. J. Kavanaugh.

In this complaint, which is quite long, the plaintiffs ask that the court restrain the defendant corporations and individuals from disposing of any of their stock and that a receiver be appointed to take charge of the company until outcome of the suit. Also that the Indian Consolidated company of South Dakota, which is alleged to be a holding corporation for the other two companies, be forced to deliver certain certificates of stock to the plaintiffs and to L. E. Osborn, who is not a party to the present suit, but who is alleged to have been a party to the deal.

RENO, Jan. 10.—This morning Constable Wolf of Lovelock arrested Sol Camp, prominent Nevada mining promoter, and David H. Skea, a mining man, for grand larceny. The men were arrested for highgrading ten sacks of rich ore from the Limerick mine, near Lovelock, the complaint was sworn to by R. S. Page, president of the company. Immediately after being taken into custody, Constable Wolf departed with Camp and Skea for Lovelock, where a preliminary hearing will be given the men charged with the crime. It is alleged that there is strong evidence against both men and a conviction will follow their arrest.

# WILD NEGRESS RAISES OLD NED IN RENO WOOD YARD

### AN INSANE COLORED WOMAN TERRORIZES MEN AT A LUMBER CAMP.

RENO, Nev., Jan. 10.—Mrs. Ray Yuskaka, the negro woman who was shipped to this city some time ago by people at Auburn and who spent some time in the county jail here while insane from the effects of cocaine and who was then shipped back to Auburn, again arrived in Reno from Auburn last night. She did not come clear into Reno but got off the train near Laughlin Springs and walked from there to the Flanigan Lumber company's woodyard. There she took possession of a cabin and since that time has continued to hold the same. She has not allowed a man to enter the cabin and Sheriff Ferrel was called to remove her as she had everyone in the lumber camp frightened away from the cabin. The sheriff, after conferring with the county commissioners, the district attorney and the county physician, went after her. She may be put in the asylum and she may be turned over to friends and eventually find her way back to Auburn, where she is said to belong.

# POOR PEOPLE WILL NOW HAVE CHEAP THEATRE

### DAUGHTER OF JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER BACK OF AMUSEMENT PROJECT.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—Profiting by the failure of the New Theater project in New York, the Chicago Theater society, headed by Mrs. McCormick, daughter of John D. Rockefeller, will start a small stock company.

Low prices, so that all may afford to attend, and a plan of turning surplus into more comprehensive productions would be the policy, said Mrs. McCormick of the theater company. The venture is to open soon and will patronize American playwrights whenever possible.

"We shall produce plays for the masses at the lowest prices possible," said Mrs. McCormick. "With a stock company increasing in size as our repertory grows, we will begin with ten of the best plays. We want to entertain and amuse. The tired people can best be educated by being entertained. Gradually an appetite will be cultivated for only the best in dramatic literature. Then all dramatic standards must be raised."

### MINING MAN GOES TO WALLEY SPRINGS

George Liles, foreman at the Tonopah Extension, left this morning for Walley Springs at Genoa. He goes with the hope of parting with his old enemy, rheumatism, before his return to Tonopah.

Roger Dougherty, the political boss, went to Goldfield this morning.

# EDWARD H. MADISON PASSED AWAY AT BLAIR

### FORMER SALT LAKE MAN SUCUMBED TO SMALLPOX IN MINING CAMP.

The Salt Lake Tribune of the 6th inst. says:

News of the sudden death of Edward H. Madison, a former well-known resident of this city, was received last night.

Mr. Madison died at Blair, Nev., from smallpox, with which he was stricken only three days ago. At first the disease was pronounced to be typhoid fever and a sister, Miss Kathryn Madison, a trained nurse of this city, left Friday night to nurse her brother through his illness. An unsuccessful attempt to reach her by telegraph was made last night, after the news of Mr. Madison's death was received.

Owing to the cause of Mr. Madison's death, his body could not be shipped here for interment and was buried at Blair yesterday.

Mr. Madison was 34 years of age and was born at Kansas City, Mo. Most of his life, however, was spent in Salt Lake.

Mr. Madison is survived by his mother, Mrs. Mary Madison, and four sisters, Mrs. Anna Bradley, Mrs. Edward M. Garsett, Miss Kathryn Madison and Miss Emma Madison.

# HARRY K. THAW MAY BE RELEASED

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—According to a special dispatch from Matteawan to the Herald, friends in the close confidence of Harry K. Thaw declare that habeas corpus proceedings will begin within the next few days to obtain the release of the man who killed Stanford White. These friends are quoted as almost positively confident of success and declare that Thaw's release will be obtained within thirty days.

Clarence Sheen, counsel for Harry Thaw, is said to have been working for several weeks on a plan in the new proceedings.

### A STRONG WIND.

GEORGETOWN, Colo., Jan. 10.—K. L. Hathaway, teamster at the Capital mine, a horse and several cars carrying two tons of ore while the animal was hauling, were blown from a 20-foot trestle by the wind yesterday. Hathaway was slightly injured. The animal was killed.

### OSTRICH BREEDER KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 9.—Oscar Bentley, who established the first ostrich farm in Southern California, was killed in an automobile accident and four others injured.

# BODY IS FOUND IN FROZEN SNOWS HUMBOLDT RANGE

WINNEMUCCA, Jan. 10.—The blizzard which swept through this valley and the Humboldt range of mountains a week ago, causing death to many cattle and sheep, also caused the death of a well-known resident of this county. J. J. Keller was lost in the mountains during the severe storm and a searching party who has been looking for him since his disappearance a week ago, came upon his frozen body, lying in the deep snow in Black Rock canyon, a few miles above the Humboldt House, this afternoon. Keller had been dead several days.

# A MATRIMONIAL MIXUP MAY BE THE RESULT HERE

BOULDER, Colo., Jan. 10.—Because of the issuance of a marriage license here to D. K. Daniels, a sawmill proprietor, people are puzzled to know how the relationship is to be determined through the approaching marriage of Daniels' only daughter to his wife's son.

Daniels will become the stepfather of his own daughter, while his stepson will become his son-in-law. The daughter will have a stepmother and mother-in-law all in one, and instead of calling the bridegroom brother, she will call him husband.

### GOLDFIELD WHITE SLAVERS BOTH GET LONG SENTENCES

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 10.—George Rives of Goldfield, Nevada, was sentenced to seven years in Leavenworth prison yesterday on the charge of taking a young girl from Salt Lake to Goldfield for immoral purposes. Jessie Gray, niece Rives, was sentenced to six years in Lansing, Mich. prison on a similar charge.

### FINE TOM AND JERRY.

The new Nevada club has at all hours for its many customers, Tom and Jerry and hot drinks of all descriptions. Drop in. 12-25-11

# BIG BENEFIT AT BUTLER THEATRE THIS EVENING

### BIG BENEFIT AND VAUDEVILLE FOR THE YOEMAN LODGE.

Tonight at the Butler a big benefit show will be given by the Yoeman and all new talent and acts are on the boards. The following program will be shown:

Song and dance by a colored Caruso.

A Japanese song by a little Japanese lady.

A Dutch and Irish comedy talking act.

And two very good singers will sing some of the latest songs.

"Baby Josephine" will sing some new songs and will put on a new dance.

The following pictures will be shown: A well-known fairy story, entitled "The Three Bears," by the Essanay company. Curly Locks falls asleep over the story and dreams she is the heroine of the story. In her dreams she enters the cottage of the bears in the dense forest and tastes all the porridge the bears have left to eat; eats all of Tenny Tiny Bear's porridge and curls up in his bed to sleep. The bears finally return and find Curly Locks and chase her out of the house. She is pursued by the bears but wakes up before they have a chance to catch her. "A Mother's Remorse," Pathé; "Papa's Sweetheart," Edison drama of unusual interest; "An International Heartbreaker," Edison comedy. All nations are represented in the auditorium for her hand. The different types are clean-cut and the fun is fast and furious up to the totally unexpected finish. "Esquimaux in Labrador," showing the life and modest living of these queer people.

### REGULAR PAYDAY TODAY.

The regular monthly payday of all the active corporations in Tonopah occurred today. The amount paid out will amount to \$220,000, a little falling off from last month. This is owing to the cement workers at the new Belmont mill having delayed their work. All of the stores who have advertised big bargains are doing a thriving business.

### FIRE MEETING TONIGHT.

Don't forget the Volunteer Firemen's meeting tonight at the gymnasium. If you are a member, see to it that you are present; and if you are not a member, drop around just the same.

Sam Haas, the theatrical man, is spending the day in Goldfield.